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SUBJECT: THREATENED STRIKE BY IZMIR MUNICIPAL WORKERS

1. IZMIR BRANCHES OF GENEL-IS AND BES-IS UNIONS, REPRESENTING WORKERS IN MUNICIPAL WATERWORKS, ELECTRICITY PLANT AND BUS SERVICES, HAVE FORMALLY THREATENED CITY-WIDE STRIKE FOR FRIDAY DEC. 9 UNLESS DECEMBER SALARY ARREARS MET IMMEDIATELY.

ACCORDING TO THEIR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH THE MUNICIPALITY, THE WORKERS WERE TO HAVE BEEN PAID THEIR WAGES BY DEC. 20. PRESS STATES ARREARS AMOUNT TO TL 16.5 MILLION.

2. IZMIR MAYOR YESTERDAY SENT TELEGRAM TO PRESIDENT KORUTURK REQUESTING HIS ASSISTANCE IN GETTING GOT TO RELEASE FUNDS AND REORTEDLY FLEW THIS A.M. TO ANKARA TO ARGUE CASE PERSONALLY WITH MINISTRY OF FINANCE OFFICIALS.

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3. OUR CHECKS WITH INTERESTED LOCAL OFFICIALS SUGGEST THE TWO UNIONS MAY POSTPONE THEIR "RESISTANCE" (DE FACTO STRIKE), WHICH WOULD IMMOBILIZE IZMIR, IN ORDER ALLOW MAYOR ALYANAK COMPLETE HIS EFFORTS.

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